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## **AMENDMENTS**

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously presented) A method for representing HMI user screens comprising the activities of:

via an information device:

obtaining an organization and a hierarchy of a collection comprising a plurality of human machine interface (HMI) screen nodes, each of the plurality of HMI screen nodes a visual representation of a corresponding visual display of a human machine interface adapted to interpret communications from a human operator of an industrial plant to an automated machine controller;

automatically determining an arrangement of the collection;

responsive to a detected collision between a parent node of said hierarchy of said collection and a leaf node of the parent node, automatically adjusting a position of said parent node; and

rendering the collection according to the arrangement.

- 2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising calculating a position of the leaf node.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising calculating a position of a visible leaf.
- 4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising calculating the position of the parent node.
- 5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising detecting the collision.